

## AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace paragraph 1 of the specification with the following amended paragraph:

--This application incorporates by reference commonly assigned and co-pending U.S. Patent Application Number       , IBM Docket Number TUC9-2003-0163US1United States Patent Application Serial Number 10/719,213, entitled RECOVERING TRACK FORMAT INFORMATION MISMATCH ERRORS USING DATA RECONSTRUCTION, filed on even date herewith November 20, 2003--